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Attorney's Docket No. 022701-976

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of ) MAIL STOP NON-FEE AMENDMENT  
Patrice GOTTELAND et al )  
Application No.: 10/009,732 ) Group Art Unit: 1621  
Filed: April 23, 2003 ) Examiner: Karl J. Puttlitz  
For: SELECTIVE SEPARATION OF IRON ) Confirmation No.: 6025  
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DIPHOSPHONIC ACID GROUPS )

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AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

- A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.
- A Terminal Disclaimer and the [ ] \$55.00 (2814) [ ] \$110.00 (1814) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are also enclosed.
- Also enclosed is/are \_\_\_\_\_.
- Small entity status is hereby claimed.
- Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the [ ] \$385.00 (2801) [ ] \$770.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
- Applicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments not be entered. Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified above.
- Applicant(s) previously submitted \_\_\_, on \_\_\_, for which continued examination is requested.
- Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least \_\_\_, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.
- A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed.

No additional claim fee is required.

An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

AMENDED CLAIMS					
	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	ADD'L FEE
Total Claims	13	MINUS 20 =	0	× \$18.00 (1202) =	0.00
Independent Claims	3	MINUS 3 =	0	× \$86.00 (1201) =	0.00
If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$290.00 (1203)					0.00
Total Claim Amendment Fee					0.00
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Claim Amendment Fee					0.00
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT</b>					<b>0.00</b>

A total fee in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.

Charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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**RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR ELECTION/RESTRICTION**

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action [Requirement for Election/Restriction] mailed September 3, 2003, Applicants elect, albeit with traverse, the invention of Group I, claims 1-8, drawn to separation of iron present in a solution and a process for the recycling of a catalyst.